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Lloyd's Aviation Underwriters' Association and Aviation Insurance Offices Association, Associations of aviation insurers based in London, England, respectfully submit the joint comments attached hereto with respect to the Order to Show Cause Issued by the Department of Transportation on 3 October 1996, Order 96-10-7.

Respectfully submitted,

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You will certainly be aware that the statutes of both the above Associations prohibit any discussion or agreement on matters of rates or pricing of insurance products for the Aviation Industry. Nevertheless, certain assumptions expressed in your Show Cause Order were so clearly inaccurate that we presumed you would welcome a joint filing in order to give balance to any misconceptions.

- · It is the view of both London-based Associations that should the DOT require either
 - 1) the first or subsequent carrier to or from the USA to assume liability for an entire journey including interlining,
- or 2) every passenger enplaned in the USA to be furnished with a Personal Accident policy for SDR's 500,000 valid 6-12 months

that it would be gross underestimation of the likely additional cost of insurance to use the description "relatively minimal". Please be advised that researches carried out and which are in the public domain, indicate that the basic IATA proposals are likely to produce considerably increased costs of claims against airlines in the future. The proposed amendments included in the Show Cause Order are likely to prove that this increase in costs of claims against the airlines, will be substantially greater, which inevitably must lead to increased insurance costs.

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